- "(A) an account separate from any other accounts or funds available to the Administrator; and
- "(B) available without fiscal year limitation.
- "(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts from the Fund shall be available to provide financial assistance under subsection (b).

"(b) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

- "(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—
- "(A) the term 'adjusted gross income' has the meaning given the term in section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;
- "(B) the term 'eligible household' means a household—
- "(i) for which housing expenses exceed 30 percent of the adjusted gross income of the household in a year; and
- "(ii)(I) for which the total assets owned by the household are in an amount that is not greater than 220 percent of the median household income for the State in which the household is located; or
- "(II) that has a total household income that is not greater than 120 percent of the area median income for the area in which the household is located; and
- "(C) the term 'housing expenses' means, with respect to a household, the total amount that the household spends in a year on—
 - "(i) mortgage payments;
 - "(ii) property taxes;
 - "(iii) homeowners insurance; and
- "(iv) premiums for flood insurance under the national flood insurance program.
- "(2) AUTHORITY.—
- "(A) OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The Administrator shall provide a voucher, grant, or premium credit to an eligible household for a year in an amount that, subject to subparagraph (B), is equal to the lesser of—
- "(i) the difference between-
- ``(I) the housing expenses of the household for the year; and
- $``(\Pi)$ 30 percent of the adjusted gross income of the household for the year; and
- "(ii) the cost of premiums for the household for flood insurance under the national flood insurance program for the year.
- "(B) REDUCTION.—The amount of the assistance provided under subparagraph (A) to an eligible household shall be reduced by 1 percent for each percent that the income of the eligible household exceeds 120 percent of the median household income for the State in which the property that is the subject of the assistance is located.
- "(3) RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER AGENCIES.— The Administrator may enter into a memorandum of understanding with the head of any other Federal agency to administer paragraph (2)(A)."
- (b) DIRECT APPROPRIATION.—Out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there is appropriated to the Affordability Assistance Fund established under section 1326 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as added by subsection (a) of this section, \$800,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2025 to provide financial assistance under subsection (b) of such section 1326.

SEC. _____. FORBEARANCE ON NFIP INTEREST PAYMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—During the 5-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury may not charge the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (referred to in this section as the "Administrator") interest on amounts borrowed by the Administrator under section 1309(a) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4016(a)) that were outstanding as of the date of enactment of this Act, including amounts borrowed after the date of enactment of this Act

that refinance debts that existed before the date of enactment of this Act.

-There shall be (b) Use of Saved Amounts. deposited into the National Flood Mitigation Fund an amount equal to the interest that would have accrued on the borrowed amounts during the 5-year period described in subsection (a) at the time at which those interest payments would have otherwise been paid, which, notwithstanding any provision of section 1367 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4104d), the Administrator shall use to carry out the program established under section 1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4104c).

(c) NO RETROACTIVE ACCRUAL.—After the 5-year period described in subsection (a), the Secretary of the Treasury shall not require the Administrator to repay any interest that, but for that subsection, would have accrued on the borrowed amounts described in that subsection during that 5-year period.

SA 2615. Mr. KELLY (for himself and Ms. Lummis) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. Schumer (for Ms. Sinema (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Cassidy, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Collins, Mr. Tester, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Romney)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 63, strike line 4 and insert the following:

funds apportioned under section 104(b)(1). "(1) TRUCK PARKING.—

- "(1) IN GENERAL.—0.7 percent of the amounts provided to each State under section 104(b)(1) for each fiscal year shall be reserved for projects eligible for funding under section 1401 of MAP-21 (23 U.S.C. 137 note; Public Law 112-141) to create, expand, or improve truck parking capacity.
- "(2) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the requirement under paragraph (1), in whole or in part, with respect to a State for a fiscal year if the State demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the State has met the commercial motor vehicle parking needs of the State."
- SA 2616. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. RISCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 80, strike lines 11 and 12 and insert the following:

ignated under section 167(e).";

(7) in subsection (h)(5)(A), by striking "the amount of the funds apportioned to the State for fiscal year 2009 under section 104(h)(2), as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of MAP-21," and inserting "9 percent of the amount reserved under this subsection"; and

(8) by adding at the end the following:

SA 2617. Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, and Ms. SINEMA) sub-

mitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. Schumer (for Ms. Sinema (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Cassidy, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Collins, Mr. Tester, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Romney) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 2437, strike lines 9 through 18 and insert the following:

(d) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

- (1) DEFINITION OF BROKER.—Nothing in this section or the amendments made by this section shall be construed to create any inference that a person described in section 6045(c)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by this section, includes any person solely engaged in the business of—
- (A) validating distributed ledger transactions through proof of work (mining), or
- (B) selling hardware or software the sole function of which is to permit persons to control a private key (used for accessing digital assets on a distributed ledger).
- (2) BROKERS AND TREATMENT OF DIGITAL ASSETS.—Nothing in this section or the amendments made by this section shall be construed to create any inference, for any period prior to the effective date of such amendments, with respect to—
- (A) whether any person is a broker under section 6045(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or
- (B) whether any digital asset is property which is a specified security under section 6045(g)(3)(B) of such Code.

SA 2618. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title I of division A, add the following:

SEC. 115____. DRY BULK WEIGHT TOLERANCE.

Section 127 of title 23, United States Code (as amended by section 11515(2)), is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(x) DRY BULK WEIGHT TOLERANCE.-

- "(1) DEFINITION OF DRY BULK GOODS.—In this subsection, the term 'dry bulk goods' means any homogeneous unmarked nonliquid cargo being transported in a trailer specifically designed for that purpose.
- "(2) WEIGHT TOLERANCE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, except for the maximum gross vehicle weight limitation, a commercial motor vehicle transporting dry bulk goods may not exceed 110 percent of the maximum weight on any axle or axle group described in subsection (a), including any enforcement tolerance."

SA 2619. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. Lummis, and Mr. Toomey) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)

to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes: which was ordered to lie on the table: as follows:

On page 2437, strike lines 9 through 18 and insert the following:

- (d) Rule of Construction.-
- (1) DEFINITION OF BROKER.—Nothing in this section or the amendments made by this section shall be construed to create any inference that a person described in section 6045(c)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by this section, includes any person solely engaged in the business of-
- (A) validating distributed ledger transactions.
- (B) selling hardware or software for which the sole function is to permit a person to control private keys which are used for accessing digital assets on a distributed ledger,
- (C) developing digital assets or their corresponding protocols for use by other persons, provided that such other persons are not customers of the person developing such assets or protocols.
- (2) Brokers and treatment of digital as-SETS.-Nothing in this section or the amendments made by this section shall be construed to create any inference, for any period prior to the effective date of such amendments, with respect to-
- (A) whether any person is a broker under section 6045(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or
- (B) whether any digital asset is property which is a specified security under section 6045(g)(3)(B) of such Code.
- SA 2620. Ms. SINEMA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CAS-SIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 125, line 8, insert a semicolon at the end.

On page 419, line 6, strike "1109(a)(1)(C)" and insert "11109(a)(1)(C)".

On page 443, line 12, strike "is amended by adding" and insert the following: "is amend-

(1) by striking the seventh, eighth, and ninth sentences; and

(2) by adding

On page 650, line 6, strike "a State" and insert "a State (including the District of Columbia)".

On page 659, line 1, strike "a State" and insert "a State (including the District of Columbia)".

On page 699, line 25, strike "22306" and in-

On page 721, line 14, strike "category" and insert "categories"

On page 797, line 21, strike "22210" and insert "22910"

On page 1025, line 13, strike "40" and insert

On page 1287, line 16, insert "5334," after

On page 1592, strike lines 6 through 13 and insert the following:

"(2) is placed in service on or after the date of enactment of this section;

"(3) meets the requirements of subclauses (I) and (III) of section 242(b)(1)(B)(ii); and

"(4)(A) is in compliance with all applicable Federal, Tribal, and State requirements; or

"(B) would be constructed or brought into compliance with the requirements described in subparagraph (A) as a result of the capital improvements or investment carried out using an incentive payment under this sec-

On page 1593, line 15, insert "subject to subsection (c)," before "environmental".
On page 1594, between lines 8 and 9, insert

the following:

'(c) CONDITION.—Incentive payments may only be made for environmental improvements under subsection (b)(3) on the condition that the improvements, including any related physical or operational changes, have been authorized under applicable Federal. State, and Tribal permitting or licensing processes that include appropriate mitigation conditions arising from consultation and environmental review under the processes

On page 1594, line 9, strike "(c)" and insert (d)"

On page 1594, line 18, strike "(d)" and insert "(e)"

In section 40541(a) of division D, strike paragraph (7) and insert the following:

(7) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term "nonprofit organization" means-

- (A) an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code:
- (B) a mutual or cooperative electric company described in section 501(c)(12) of such Code that is exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code; or
- (C) an organization which is engaged in furnishing electric energy described in section 1381(a)(2)(C) of such Code.
- On page 2195, strike lines 3 through 14 and insert the following:
- (F) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate:
- (G) the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives;
- (H) the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives:
- (I) the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives:
- (J) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives:
- (K) the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives: and
- (L) the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

Beginning on page 2200, strike line 6 and all that follows through page 2201, line 17, and insert the following:

(III) a county government, with preference given to counties at least a portion of which is in the wildland-urban interface:

(IV) a municipal government, with preference given to municipalities at least a portion of which is in the wildland-urban interface; and

(V) an Indian tribal government;

(iii) with preference given to representatives from high-risk States and high-risk Indian tribal governments, not fewer than 1 representative from each of-

- (I) the public utility industry;
- (II) the property development industry;
- (III) wildland firefighters; and
- (IV) an organization-
- (aa) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of that Code; and
- (bb) with expertise in forest management and environmental conservation;
- (iv) not greater than 2 other appropriate non-Federal stakeholders, which may include the private sector; and
- (v) any other appropriate non-Federal stakeholders, which may include the private

sector, with preference given to non-Federal stakeholders from high-risk States and highrisk Indian tribal governments.

(2) STATE AND INDIAN TRIBAL GOVERNMENT LIMITATION.—Each member of the Commission appointed under clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph (1)(C) shall represent a different State or Indian tribal government.

On page 2410, line 10, strike "project which" and insert "project"

On page 2410, line 11, insert "which" before "is"

On page 2410, line 17, strike "and"

Beginning on page 2410, strike line 18 and all that follows through page 2411, line 2, and insert the following:

- (B) which results in internet access which-
- (i) is provided at speeds not less than 100 megabits per second for downloads and 20 megabits per second for uploads; and
- (ii) is provided to residential households: and
- (C) under which not less than 90 percent of the residential households and commercial locations provided internet access are households and locations where, before project, a broadband service provider-

In the eighth proviso under the heading "DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND PROGRAM" under the heading "RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE" under the heading "RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS" under the heading "DEPARTMENT OF AG-RICULTURE" in title I of division J, strike "electric cooperatives" and insert "pole owners".

On page 2467, line 2, insert a comma after 'Corporations'

On page 2474, line 8, insert "until" after "available"

On page 2478, line 25, strike "an institution" and insert "institutions"

On page 2479, line 1, strike "non-profit," and insert "non-profit or".

On page 2552, strike lines 17 through 20 and insert the following:

made available in fiscal years 2022 through 2026 under this paragraph

On page 2572, lines 3 and 4, strike "salaries, expenses, and

On page 2585, line 6, strike "three" and insert "four"

On page 2587, line 3, strike "three" and insert "four"

On page 2589, line 2, strike "three" and insert "four"

On page 2590, line 15, strike "three" and insert "four"

On page 2592, line 6, strike "three" and insert "four"

On page 2597, line 4, strike "three" and insert "five"

On page 2604, line 5, strike the period at the end and insert ": Provided, That the amount provided by this section is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4112(a) of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, and to section 251(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.'

On page 2616, line 24, insert "Federal" before "salaries"

On page 2621, line 2, insert "until" after "available"

On page 2624, strike lines 13 through 15 and insert the following:

the programs administered by the Office of Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy may be transferred to an "Office of Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy" account,

On page 2625, lines 8 and 9, strike "Office of Multimodal Infrastructure and Freight" and insert "Office of Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy".